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Dear [redacted]

The news of your decision to retire caught some of us here by surprise. Although it was generally known that you were eligible for retirement at any time, it is clear from my conversations with the many people you have worked with over the years that this is cause for only muted celebration. We are losing a very good man, of the kind it is not really possible fully to replace.

You have a long and distinguished career behind you on which you can reflect with justifiable pride. You and I know, however, that mere length of service in itself is no adequate measure of the contribution a man makes. In your case the record sparkles with achievement, marked by numerous commendations, awards, and a letter of commendation from a President of the United States. I have been greatly impressed by the variety of your accomplishments and the spontaneous expressions of praise I have heard from former colleagues of yours.

We are grateful for what you have done to leave not only London Bureau but many other bureaus with a first-class technical plant capable of meeting the challenges of the future. I know I speak for many in FBIS in wishing you many prosperous and rewarding retirement years, whether putting about the garden or putting on the green.

Sincerely,

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Director

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